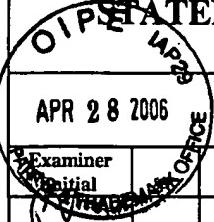
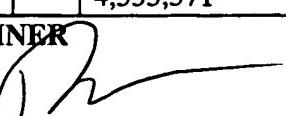


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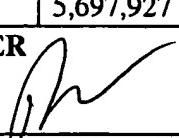
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		5,681,308	10-1997	Edwards et al.			
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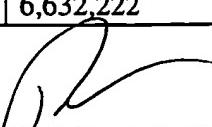
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